Southside Neighborhood Associations Presidential Partnership (SNAPP) Regular meeting

Thu 16-FEB-2012, 6:00PM, at the Santa Cruz TPD Substation (4410 South Park Ave).

SNAPP Board present: Joe Miller (President), Maureen Fisher (Vice President), and Les Pierce (Secretary).

SNAPP Board absent: Treasurer office is vacant.

Members present: Arroyo Chico Neighborhood Association (NA) (Les Pierce); Cherry Avenue NA (Maureen Fisher); Elvira NA (Dave Densmore); Enchanted Hills NA (Karine Aguilar); Midvale Park NA (Joe Miller); Santa Cruz Southwest (Beryl Baker); and Sunnyside NA (Yolanda Herrera).

Liaisons, advisory, and associate members present: Cherry Avenue Senior Center (Barbara Bohall), CPPW and TFRUD (Margie Mortimer), Tucson Police Department (Sergeant Joe Merrill), Pima County District 5 (Malena Barajas), and City of Tucson Ward 1 (Amy Santos).

Others in attendance: Cheryl Strickland and Tim Bacchus (Cherry Avenue NA); Tere Filkin (Elvira NA); and Imelda Cortez (Wakefield neighborhood -- NA is inactive).

Agenda:

- (A) Call to order, introductions.
- (B) Approve minutes from 19-JAN-2012 meeting.
- (C) Presentation: United Community Advisory Board (Yolanda Herrera).
- (D) Reports and updates, five (5) minutes each:
 - (D.1) TPD
 - (D.2) Ward 1
 - (D.3) Ward 5
 - (D.4) AZLeg activity
 - (D.5) Liquor licenses, related activity
 - (D.6) Financial status report
 - (D.7) President's report
- (E) Neighborhood roundtable, two (2) minutes each.
- (F) Suggestions for future agenda items.
- (G) Set/confirm time, day for next regular meeting.
- (H) Adjournment.

Action items:

Motion was made (Les) and seconded (Dave) to approve the 19-JAN-2012 meeting minutes. Motion passed (5 aye, 0 nay, 2 abstain).

Proceedings:

- A. Meeting chair Joe Miller called the meeting to order at 6:15PM; introductions were made 'round the table. Joe stated the office of Treasurer is still open.
- B. Approve minutes: Motion was made (Les) and seconded (Dave) to approve the 19-JAN-2012 meeting minutes. Motion passed (5 aye, 0 nay, 2 abstain).
- C. Yolanda Herrera with United Community Advisory Board (UCAB): monitors TCE in aquifer, informs community about contamination; TIA, ANG, Raytheon/Hughes, DMAFB responsible; 1,4-dioxane primarily north of 36th Street, TUS Water new \$15 million plant to remove, ETA 2013; DMAFB wants to put a cap on the costs, but we don't know long term costs and should refuse this; 1,4-dioxane in shampoos, read the labels!; next meeting = 18-APR-2012, 5:45PM, at El Pueblo N'hood

Center (101 West Irvington Road, southwest corner of South Sixth Ave).

D. Reports and updates:

- D.01. TPD: new public safety computer system; U.S. Marshals moving next to dialysis center; crime stats dipping after holiday spike; should be seven (7) new officers next month; metal thefts up --call if see suspicious people around vacant buildings (wire/ pipe stripping); graffiti perp caught, had done felony levels of damage (including glass etching); community service officer proactively seeking and logging graffiti.
- D.02. Ward 1: SoAZ Volunteer Center Youth Leadership program in March; Mayor Rotshchild meet-&-greet drew over 100 attendees; online petition to keep Cherrybell USPS processing center open; Bookmans grants for schools; deadline 14-MAR-2012 to comment on the F-35 EIS.
 - D.03. Ward 5: (none)
- D.04. District 5: downtown/ economic development plan released, Supervisor Elias concerned that improvements subsidize development instead of spur it; Raytheon buffer; road to private prison only benefits the prison; SunTran route# 8 highest level of ridership; upcoming bond package; field conversions at Kino Sports Center to lure major league soccer, 1100 "roof nights" projected for hospitality industry;
- D.05: AZLeg update: HB2675 (requires public state uni students to pony up \$2000 each of own money) bad; HB2486 (repeals "homeowner affidavit") good; SB1059 (adjusts liability laws so schools can open playgrounds to public after hours) good; HB2757 (electronic billboards) bad.
- D.06. Financial status update: \$105.51 discretionary + \$300.67 CPC grant + \$236.13 town hall/ forum grant = \$642.31 total. SNAPP still has no Treasurer.
- D.07. Liquor licenses, related activity: license application of Beverage Time/ Fiesta was approved by the state board Thu 02-FEB-2012.
- D.07.a. Owner of Chihuahua Market wants to buy the shuttered petrol station/ c-store on northwest corner of South Sixth Ave and West Ajo Way, sell beer and wine; guest attendees from Wakefield neighborhood want to oppose; property has not yet changed hands; will take owner ~ eight (8) weeks to get new license.
 - D.08. President's report: Joe created a facebook(R) page

E. Neighborhood roundtable:

- E.01. Cherry Ave NA: annual election, amendment to bylaws; 65 graffiti reported; property values impacted by graffiti.
- E.02. Santa Cruz Southwest NA: community garden; shoring up protection of Santa Cruz riverbanks; road construction on La Cholla, may increase flooding of homes downstream; changes to COT land use code bad for neighborhoods.
- E.03. Sunnyside NA: peace garden celebration; Watershed Management Group project on San Fernando.
- E.04. Communities Putting Prevention to Work (CPPW): farmers market first weekend in March at Alta Vista High School (southwest corner of South Campbell Ave and East Irvington Road); graffiti forum in February, discussing legal options with attorney.
 - E.05. Cherry Ave Seniors Center: tile project being installed.
- E.06. Wakefield: community garden at Saint John's Church near South Seventh Ave and West Ajo Way.
- E.07. Enchanted Hills NA: nineteen (19) code violations reported; graffiti on Ajo Way west of I-19, tourist route to Arizona Sonoran Desert Museum; City finally removed wooden billboard at South LaCholla Ave and West 36th Street after 18 months of calling.
- E.08. Elvira NA: tickets for semi trucks parked in n'hood (vehicles rated to carry 20K pounds or more will be ticketed); trashy house on South Santa Clara Ave was razed; need longer turn arrow on

signal at South Twelfth Ave and West Valencia Road; "suspicious death house" fenced off.

- E.09. Arroyo Chico NA: landscape buffer at South Plumer Ave and East 22d Street moving along nicely; do NOT tie out dogs, Les saw one that'd hung itself trying to get over a fence; Broadway Corridor project on the horizon.
- E.10. Midvale Park NA: Mayor Rothschild at last meeting, councilmember Kozachik at next one.
- F. Suggestions for future agenda items? soccer at Kino Stadium.
- G. Next regular meeting = Thu 15-MAR-2012, 6:00PM, at Santa Cruz TPD substation.
- H. Adjourned at 8:03PM.

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URLs related to discussed topics (mind any line breaks):

* OCT-2000 Public Health Assessment of Groundwater Contamination in West Plume B North Of Valencia Road in the Tucson International Airport Area Superfund Site --

http://www.azdhs.gov/phs/oeh/pdf/plumeb.pdf

* TCE plume map --

http://coep.pharmacy.arizona.edu/tce/tce_plume_large.html

* SEP-2011 Evaluation of 1,4-Dioxane in Groundwater Wells in Tucson International Airport Area --

http://www.azdhs.gov/phs/oeh/pdf/TucsonInternationalAirport_HC_9-14-2011.pdf

* TPD Division South's online house:

http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/police/operations-division-south

- * COT's graffiti report form: http://m.tucsonaz.gov/graffiti/report or email to graffiti@tucsonaz.gov (cc Ward 5 at melinda.jacobs@tucsonaz.gov)
- * Southern Arizona Volunteer Center: http://www.volunteersoaz.org
- * Online petition to keep Cherrybell USPS processing center open:

http://www.change.org/petitions/usps-postmaster-general-and-board-of-governors-dont-close-cherrybell-processing-and-distribution-center

* Bookmans "Schools Challenge":

http://www.bookmans.com/community/reading-challenge (NB: facebook(R) account required to vote, alas)

- * F-35 EIS and related information: http://www.f-35atrainingeis.com
- * Arizona State Legislature: http://www.azleg.gov (type bill number into search query box)
- * CFB's Malpitas de Cottonwood:

http://communityfoodbank.com/programs-services/alphabeticallist/urban-farm/

* Watershed Management Group: http://www.watershedmg.org

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